

Behold, a dead man was carried out, the only son of his mother
(adapted from St Alphonsus Liguori's sermon for the 14th Sunday after Pentecost)

Once a year, on Ash Wednesday, Christians are told: "Remember man, thou art dust & unto dust thou shall return." Oh! If but men always remembered this, they would sin less. Brethren, today, we consider a sinner's last illness, last sacraments, and last day, on earth.

What happens at the time of the last illness

1. We speak not of a habitual sinner, but a careless sinner; one who cares more for the affairs of the world, in contracts, enmities, courtships, and gaming, than of salvation. Such confess, but after delay; nor, with much effort, do they practice the means of salvation.

2. Of such, we begin with his last illness. He rises in the morning, he goes out to his temporal affairs; but while he is engaged in business, he is assailed by a violent pain in the head, his legs totter, he feels a cold shivering, which runs through every member, a sickness of the stomach, and great debility over the whole body. He immediately returns home and throws himself on the bed. His family & relatives ask: "Why do you retire so early? Are you unwell?" He answers: "I feel sick; I can barely stand; I have a great head-ache."

5. So it happens, the physician downplays his danger; worse, his relatives deceive him by lies. They say that he is better, that the physicians give strong hopes of his recovery. Treacherous & barbarous relatives! The worst of enemies! Instead of warning the sick man of his danger (as is their duty, esp. if they are parents, children, or brothers), that he may settle the accounts of his soul, they flatter & deceive him; they cause him to die in the state of damnation.

What happens at the time in which the sacraments are received

7. Finally, the dying man makes his will. After some days, seeing him worsen, his end near, a relative asks: "Shall we send for his confessor? He has been a man of the world; we know he is no saint." They agree, but hesitate. At last, they summon the priest; but only after man's faculties are nearly gone. The priest asks about the state of the man, the sort of life he led; finding he has been careless about his religious duties, he trembles for his salvation. Knowing the man is dying, the priest orders the relatives to leave the room then nears the sick man who asks, "Who are you?" "I am a Catholic priest. I have come to reconcile you with your Creator." "Father, thank you, but allow me to rest; I am tired; I can hardly speak. Pray for me."

11. Finally, after more delay, confused & tepid, the sick man receives confession, anointing, and holy viaticum. Meanwhile, the devil taunts the man: "After so many sins can you expect to be saved?" Oh! what terror then! Those mortal sins, which many call 'human frailties' which God will not punish, rush in upon the soul with their cruel reality! But let us come to death.

What happens at the time of death

12. Having administered the sacraments, the priest leaves; the dying man is alone. He feels more terror and alarm now; he faults his poor reception of the sacraments, amid his confusion of mind and uneasy conscience. But death pauses not; his body chills, his sight grows dim; he no longer knows who attends him; he cannot talk; his breathing is labored. He thinks: "Oh! that I had time, another day, to use my faculties & make a good confession!" But, it cannot be: "Time shall be no longer." (Apoc 10:6)

15. At his funeral, people say: "He was a proud man." Another: "Oh! that he had died ten years ago!" A third: "He was fortunate in the world; he made a great deal of money! he had a fine house, but now he takes nothing with him." Meanwhile, during such talk, he is burning in hell. After Mass, the words: *Requiescat in pace* are heard. He will be in peace if he died in peace with God; but, if he has died in enmity with God, what peace can he enjoy. The body is entombed; and he is left food for worms. So the scene ends. His relatives mourn and divide among themselves the property which he has left. They shed an occasional tear for two or three days, and afterwards forget him. And what shall become of him? If he be saved, he shall be happy for ever; if damned, he must be miserable for eternity.



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Please call the office to arrange your Sunday Mass attendance.

No appointments are needed for daily Mass.

The Daily Mass Schedule is:

Monday at 12 noon; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 am and 9:00 am; Friday at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm; Saturday at 9:00 am.

The Sunday Mass Schedule is:

7:00 am; 8:30 am; 10:30 am; and 12 noon. [Call the office!]

Confessions are heard in the confessional box ½ hour before Mass.

Please only use the bathrooms in the vestibule.

Finally, please keep a safe distance.

In the Diocese of Venice, the Sunday obligation is dispensed until Sunday, November 1, 2020.

In Ocala:

Sunday Mass at 4:30 pm. (No need to call.)

Monday Mass at 7 am.

Liturgical Calendar for the Upcoming Week

DATE	FEAST	CLASS/COLOR	COMMEMORATION
Sun 09-13	15 th Sunday after Pentecost	2/G	
Mon 09-14	Exaltation of the Cross	2/R	
Tues 09-15	Seven Sorrows of the BVM	2/W	St Nicomedes
Wed 09-16	Ember Wednesday	2/V	Ss Eupemia, Lucy, Geminianus
Thu 09-17	Feria	4/G	Stigmata of St Francis
Fri 09-18	Ember Friday	2/V	
Sat 09-19	Ember Saturday	2/V	
Sun 09-20	16 th Sunday after Pentecost	2/G	

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week in Sarasota

Sun 09-13	(7 am) Gabriel M Tinnaro (8:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i> (10:30 am) Sam Harris (12 noon) Jane Strong+		rb M/M Meza rb J & J Mikluscak rb Donna Hrycyk rb A Jelks rb M/M Marchand rb B & M McNamara rb a friend rb M/M Marchand rb K Zilli rb Angela Emke rb M/M L Truong rb Sherry A Bradl
Mon 09-14	(12 noon) Ted Cover+		
Tues 09-15	(7 am) Jane J Strong+ & her caregivers (9 am) Dulce Rodriguez		
Wed 09-16	(7 am) Blessed Virgin Mary (9 am) Jane J Strong+		
Thu 09-17	(7 am) Brother Goretti Zilli (9 am) Michael Emke		
Fri 09-18	(9 am) Peter & Anna Dinh (6:30 pm) Fr Joseph Kelly		
Sat 09-19	(9 am) Henriette & Marguerite Costa de Beauregard		rb L de Saizieu
Sun 09-20	(7 am) Virginia Strong+ (8:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i> (10:30 am) Joe & Margaret Hanick (12 noon) Nicholas A Slovak	rb L Marchand rb C DiGiacinto & G Hanick rb K Slovak	

Today, after the 12 noon Mass, items on “the blessing table” in the hall will be blessed; the Bookstore is open after the 8:30 am & 10:30 am Masses.

This week: Monday, Rosary after the 12 noon Mass and St Theresa Prayer Guild (7-8:30 pm) in the hall (Denise Priest (941-799-0444); Thursday, Youth Catechism (5-6 pm); Saturday, Youth Group, (9 am - 1 pm, includes: Mass, breakfast, Rosary, & an outdoor activity e.g., soccer on the property).

Last Sunday’s collection: \$ 4479.00; and **Mass attendance:** 7 am, 47; 8:30 am, 70; 10:30 am, 74; 12 noon, 56; for a total of 247.

Correction: the September calendar should read the fall Ember Days as September 16, 18 and 19, NOT September 23, 25 and 26.

Please, STAY HOME if you appear sick (sneezing, wheezing, sniffing etc.), even though you feel fine; space yourself one seat away from non-family members; wear the face mask in transit to & from your pew.

Beware of the Toy Monster: a hideous creature, who feeds on abandoned items, now lurks, at night, the hall of CtK. Therefore, after a community function, if you have item(s) e.g., play things, etc. dear to you, please neatly return them to their place; things neatly stored are safe from this devouring monster. If you do not do this, please know any abandoned item is prey to his insatiable & insensitive appetite. *You have been warned!* Also, please know there is a “Lost & Found” tray in the vestibule; the monster feeds here about once a month.

Please pray for Dennis Joy (9/13), Fr Stephen Arabadjis, SSPX (9/13), Fr Vincent Sheehy (9/6), Jody Koehler (8/30), James Ahearn (8/30), Karen Boylan (Petrosky) (8/30), Jessica Patraw Branham (8/30), Sciscenti family (8/23), and Bill & Barbara Wis (8/16). (Prayer requests are posted for one month; renewable.)

Gardening Committee: Christ the King is starting up a gardening committee headed by Mike Priest and Stanley Shenko. If you would like to be involved, please contact Mike at mikepriest@yahoo.com

Worth hearing: “Fr. Altier: Coronavirus - The Truth Revealed” on YouTube; 19:56 minutes.

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Amen, amen, dico vobis: If your child(ren) is (are) to attend our Catechism Class, please sign and return the consent forms. No child will be admitted into class without these papers. Moreover, any child(ren) who does (do) NOT attend the Catechism Classes will NOT be eligible for Confirmation next Spring. Pardon the repetition & volume, but some are not listening.